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In re application of

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Serial No. NEW

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LAMINATED MATERIAL OF  
SEGREGATING MEMBRANE AND  
SEGREGATING MEMBRANE  
SUPPORTING MATERIAL, AND  
ITS METHOD OF MANUFACTURE  
**(Rule 1.53(b) Continuation of Serial No.**  
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Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: